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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Andrew COOK et al.

Title: METHOD FOR DETECTING RHEUMATOID ARTHRITIS EMPLOYING THE CB10 PEPTIDE OF MAMMALIAN TYPE II COLLAGEN AS AN ANTIGEN

Appl. No.: 10/773,398

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Examiner: Lisa V. Cook

Art Unit: 1641

AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

**Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450**

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

[X] Small Entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.9 and § 1.27 has been established by a previous assertion of Small Entity status.

[] The fee required for additional claims is calculated below:

| | Claims As Amended | | Previously Paid For | | Extra Claims Present | | Rate | | Additional Claims Fee |
|--|-------------------------|---|------------------------|---|----------------------------|---|------------------|---|--------------------------|
| Total Claims: | 2 | - | 20 | = | 0 | x | \$50.00 | = | \$0.00 |
| Independent Claims: | 1 | - | 3 | = | 0 | x | \$200.00 | = | \$0.00 |
| First presentation of any Multiple Dependent Claims: | | | | | | + | \$360.00 | = | \$0.00 |
| | | | | | | | CLAIMS FEE TOTAL | = | \$0.00 |

- [X] Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for the total number of months checked below:

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| [] Extension for response filed within the first month: | \$120.00 | \$0.00 |
| [] Extension for response filed within the second month: | \$450.00 | \$0.00 |
| [X] Extension for response filed within the third month: | \$1,020.00 | \$1,020.00 |
| [] Extension for response filed within the fourth month: | \$1,590.00 | \$0.00 |
| [] Extension for response filed within the fifth month: | \$2,160.00 | \$0.00 |
| EXTENSION FEE TOTAL: | | \$1,020.00 |
| [] Statutory Disclaimer Fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.20(d): | \$130.00 | \$0.00 |
| CLAIMS, EXTENSION AND DISCLAIMER FEE TOTAL: | | \$1,020.00 |
| [X] Small Entity Fees Apply (subtract ½ of above): | | \$510.00 |
| TOTAL FEE: | | \$510.00 |

- [X] A check in the amount of \$510.00 is enclosed.

- [X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. If any extensions of time are needed for timely acceptance of papers submitted herewith, applicant hereby petitions for such extension under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 and authorizes payment of any such extensions fees to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

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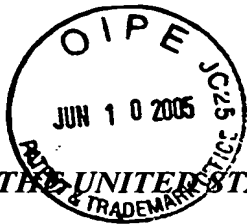
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AMENDMENT AND REPLY UNDER 37 CFR § 1.111

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Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Non-Final Office Action dated December 10, 2004, concerning the above-referenced patent application. Applicants have enclosed with this amendment a Petition for Extension of Time to make this response timely.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this document.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 6 of this document.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this document.

Please amend the application as follows:

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